HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 177

By Farmer

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Leslie Mattern on her selection as the 2018-2019 Sevier County
Grades 9-12 Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Mattern is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mattern has been selected as the 2018-2019 Sevier County Grades 9-12 Teacher of the Year, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher, as it recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, a math coach at Sevier County High School, Leslie Mattern earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics from East Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, a leader in her field, Ms. Mattern has served her school as a mathematics department head, cross country coach, volleyball coach, Relay for Life sponsor, and Interact sponsor; and

WHEREAS, recognized as the 2018-2019 Sevier County High School Teacher of the Year, she is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and awards, Leslie Mattern was the 2016-2017 and the 2008 Sevier County High School Teacher of the Year, and she was recognized as the Merrol Hyde Magnet School teacher of the Year in 2004; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mattern is an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Mattern truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest precepts of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Leslie Mattern on being chosen as the 2018-2019 Sevier County Grades 9-12 Teacher of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the youth of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.